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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Warm weather prevailed in Nebraska the past week. Temperatures averaged from four to six degrees above normal in the Panhandle and from eight to twelve degrees above normal elsewhere.

The first thunderstorms of the season occurred over the eastern half of the State on Monday night. A few places received precipitation in excess of an inch, but most areas had considerably less than an inch. Hail fell at scattered points from Butte to Fairbury. Neligh reported some stones an inch in diameter.

A cold front moved across the State as the week ended bringing a close to the warm spell. Light snow was falling over most of the State on Monday morning.

CROPS Top soil moisture is quite variable over the State with wet conditions existing in many eastern areas but diminishing westward. Field work halted in eastern areas but was variable elsewhere as local conditions dictated type of work accomplished. Western farmers continued seed bed preparations for spring sown small grains and sugar beets. Other work consisted of stalk shredding, fertilizing, cleaning feed yards and hauling manure. Farmers and ranchers have started repairing pasture fences with the prospect of early grass.

Fall sown small grains are in good condition, but moisture is needed in the west. Much greening has occurred with a limited amount of growth in the southwest. Army worms have started hatching in the southwest but no damage to date.

Feed supplies remain adequate. A good carryover will be available unless extensive adverse weather conditions occur yet this spring. Some high moisture corn is spoiling as a result of warm temperatures.

LIVESTOCK Livestock condition is generally good and young stock is making good growth. Calving operations are well under way with few problems. There are a few scattered reports of disease difficulties in young swine, but losses have been limited.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 8, 1970

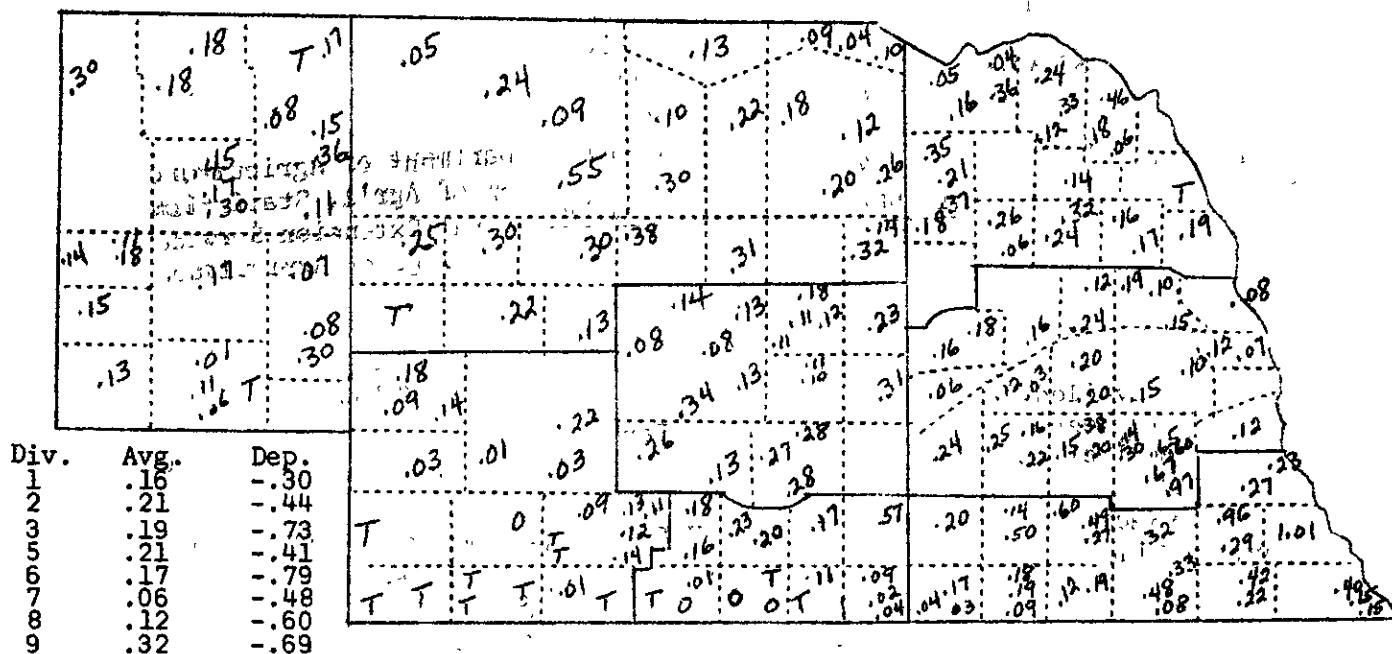
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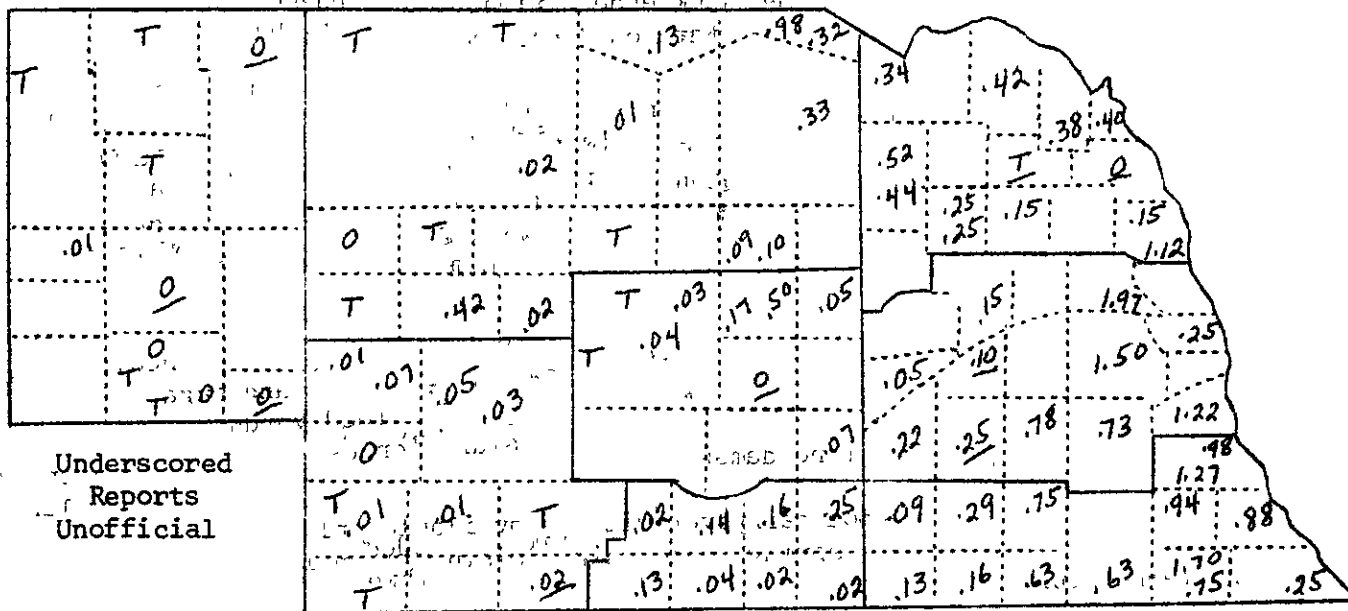


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PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF FEBRU 1970



PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 6, 1970



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE (Day-time highs, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; Night-time lows, 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., CST)

		March													
		2nd		3rd		4th		5th		6th		7th		8th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	55	20	47	17	42	16	50	12	59	21	68	31	55	17
	Scottsbluff	44	20	45	27	46	26	45	16	53	28	62	38	52	26
	Sidney	52	20	48	22	49	24	51	10	57	25	68	28	61	29
NC	Burwell	50	28	42	18	52	27	55	19	55	25	67	28	58	--
	Valentine	44	25	39	16	39	23	48	19	59	22	67	31	58	18
NE	Norfolk	60	36	36	19	45	29	49	27	49	27	62	33	51	22
	Sioux City	51	40	40	23	40	30	46	28	48	30	55	31	47	23
DEN	Grand Island	69	39	47	19	50	29	54	27	45	29	66	33	63	27
EC	Lincoln	70	45	45	26	50	34	58	31	51	39	63	41	61	29
	Omaha	62	53	55	24	48	30	56	30	51	30	60	39	62	26
SW	Imperial	68	27	50	19	53	32	56	17	56	23	69	32	65	29
	North Platte	55	31	47	17	56	34	56	18	55	22	67	26	63	26